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ROOSEVELT ESCAPES DEATH FROM BULLET

FIRED AT WHILE RIDING NEAR SAGAMORE HOME.

Whether Fired Purposely or Not is Not Definitely Known—Companion Thinks Hunters Fired the Shot in Target Practice—Maniac Arrested On the Same Road and He is Held at Oyster Bay—President Wanted to Search Bushes, But Friend Dissuaded Him—Maniac Sought Interview With President.

Oyster Bay, Sept. 8.—It was learned today that an attempt to assassinate President Roosevelt was made Saturday while he was riding on the Cove road near Sagamore. The assassin fired from the bushes at the roadside, the bullet whizzing over the president, who pulled his horse up and wanted to search the bushes. A friend dissuaded him.

The attempt became known through the arrest of John Coughlin, armed, and thought to be insane, while he was seeking an interview with the president. Coughlin was stopped on a road leading to the president's home by Detective Adams. This explains the hurried trip of Chief Wilkie, of the secret service force, to Sagamore.

Coughlin said at the time of his arrest, that he wanted 10,000 troops to drive criminals from Boston. He was taken to the Oyster Bay town hall, where Justice Franklin held him for examination.

Scouts Assassin Theory.

Major Wadsworth, who was riding with Roosevelt at the time, declared today that he thought the bullet was fired by hunters engaged in target practice and not at the president.

Ship Lands Safely.

Los Angeles, Sept. 8.—After drifting helplessly and disabled for 18 hours, the launch "O. K.," with 16 passengers, reported missing yesterday are safe at their homes today. The engines of the "O. K." broke Sunday afternoon in a squall, and the boat drifted to sea.

JEAN VAL JEAN NOW MISSING

DOES NOT ANSWER CHARGE OF GAMBLING

America's Jean Valjean, Who Was Arrested Saturday in a Raid on a Poker Game, is Missing and Does Not Answer His Charges—Recently Arrested and Sent Back to Prison, But Pardoned by Roosevelt—Escaped Prison and Reformed.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 8.—Charles W. Anderson, America's Jean Valjean, who was pardoned by President Roosevelt, is missing today when his gambling case against him was called. He was arrested Saturday in a poker raid. He was released on a statement that it was only a friendly game.

Anderson was convicted of felony several years ago and sentenced to the penitentiary. He managed to escape, successfully concealing his identity, and reformed. He bought a grocery store and married, living happily for seven years. One day a former inmate of the same penitentiary recognized Anderson on the street, and caused his arrest.

POLITICS HOLD CENTER OF STAGE

ALL PARTIES IN MISSOURI HOLD CONVENTIONS TODAY

Jefferson City Crowded With Politicians—Principal Fight is That Between Cowherd and Hanley for Governor—Stone-Folk Fight Not Slated Until Later—Labor Leaders to Join Gompers in Stumping the Country—Leaders Pleased.

Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 8.—Complying with the provisions of the new primary law, all state conventions in Missouri are being held today. This city is crowded with politicians and the principal business of the conventions outside of the election of a chairman, will be the adoption of platforms. Today each dominant party has 215 delegates present, selected at the recent primaries. A warm fight is predicted between Cowherd and Hanley, the respective democratic and republican candidates. The Stone-Folk fight for the senatorial nomination will be decided at the fall election.

Political Activity Today.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—Under the plan adopted today, other labor leaders are to join Gompers in stumping the country. Gompers had a plan by which he expects to have literature favoring the democrats distributed in all labor circles. The leaders are greatly relieved at the reports received from various state chairmen. Bryan spent much time talking campaign plans.

John W. Kern, vice-presidential candidate, was prominent in the conference. Bryan speaks tomorrow at Peoria, Ill.

PRIMARIES ON IN WASHINGTON

TWO BITTER CONTESTS CULMINATE TONIGHT.

Saloon Man Wants Governor's Chair—Four Others Bitterly Contesting His Aspirations—Principal Fight Lies Between Jones and Ankeny—Mud Has Been Thrown by Both Parties With Considerable Effect—Many Vote at First Primary.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 8.—With the arrival of primary day in Washington, one of the most spectacular figures in the political history of the state has closed the most remarkable campaign ever waged in an attempt to secure a gubernatorial nomination. He is Jimmie Durkin, of Spokane; millionaire liquor dealer, railroad president and disciple of personal liberty. Durkin seeks to become the democratic standard bearer, and declares that if he is nominated he will certainly carry the state for his party. If nominated and eelcted, he has promised to donate his salary to charity.

Durkin is aggressive and peculiar. When he has anything to say he spreads the joyful tidings by means of bulletins in his saloon windows and in full four-column advertisements in the daily newspapers.

He is against prohibition, but advocates temperance in all things, also universal personal liberty. He believes in unionism and urges the laborer and the farmer to organize. His chief aim since arriving in Spokane 11 years ago has been to make people talk about his achievements.

"I believe in newspaper advertising," he said, "because it's the best medium in the world for publicity."

Though there is a spectacular fracas in the gubernatorial race, it is "easy" compared with the contest between Jones of Yakima, and Levi Ankeny of Walla Walla for the United States senatorship. Mud has been thrown liberally by both factions, and it is freely predicted that if Ankeny is a winner when the ballots are counted tonight, it will be by the narrowest margin that he ever gained access to the senate.

Voters are taking to the initial primary with a will and a large vote is being polled in all sections of the state according to reports received here. The bitter fight in the two prinicpal races has been continued today and will be waged until the last vote is cast tonight.

Collier's Attack Hurts.

Reports from various parts indicate that the ring politicians will be rebuked in today's state-wide primaries. Senator Ankeny, who is up for the people's endorsement, has a hard fight, as his enemies accuse him of securing his present seat by unfair means.

Governor Mead is also running for renomination. Samuel Cosgrove, a civil war veterans, is seeking endorsement.

The interest is not as keen in the democratic primaries, there being but few contests and little to indiacte the outcome. Hottest fights centered in Seattle, where an effort is being made in Kings county to oust the present clique in control of the county offices.

KETCHELL NOT DISCOURAGED.

Stinging Defeat Last Evening Has Not Reduced His Ardor Much.

Los Angeles, Sept. 8.—Although Billy Papke is the hero of the hour today, Stanley Ketchell has not lost as much prestige as it would naturally be expected after such a decisive defeat as occurred yesterday when he was knocked out in the 12th round of a scheduled 25-round match. Although a serious setback, Ketchell says he is not finished. Papke says he beat Ketchell at his own game, with a lucky punch early in the fight.

6000 APPLE BOXES.

Perry Box Factory Chips Carload to Grande Ronde Growers.

Material fo six thousand apple boxes, from the Perry box factory, was unloaded here today and distributed to individual packers and growers. This instance will be duplicated often during the coming month, when apple growers are preparing for the coming harvest.

FATAL INJURIES IN PRIVATE CAR

RAILROAD MANAGER IS KILLED ON HIS ROAD.

Caleb Whitehead, Well Known Financier and Manager of the Seward Peninsula Railroad, Dies as Result of Injuries Sustained While Riding on His Road—Extensive Mine Owner and Capitalist—His Private Car is Piled in the Creek.

Seattle, Sept. 8.—Dr. Caleb Whitehead, president of the Alaska Banking & Safe Deposit Co., and general manager of the Seward Peninsula railroad, died yesterday as a result of injuries received in a wreck on his own road, says a dispatch.

The train was ditched at Iron creek and the Observatory car, in which Whitehead was riding with friends, tipped over into the creek. He was in the water several minutes before he was rescued. He failed to regain consciousness.

Dr. Whitehead was chief assayer at Washington, D. C., for a long time. He eventually resigned to come to Alaska. He owned several paying claims in this district.

Four Burned to Death.

Denver, Sept. 8.—Four men burned to death and a dozen seriously hurt today by a fire that destroyed the Hotel Belmont. The hotel was crowded with 100 guests. Starting early the fire forced many to jump from the upper stories in their night clothes. Two were burned and suffocated before the rescuers were able to reach them.

Illinois Primaries Tomorrow.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 8.—The state conventions of all political parties throughout the state will be held tomorrow under provisions of the new primary law. It will adopt platforms, name presidential electors and choose candidates for university trustees.

EXPENDITURES MADE BY THE CLUB MANAGERS

MUCH WORK DONE AT MEETING LAST NIGHT

To Push Vigorously the Irrigation Project is Only One Thing Disposed of—Managers Decide to Publish Statement Shows Nearly One Thousand ment Shows Nearly Three Thousand Due on Subscriptions to Date—About 50 Per Cent of Boost Money Subscribed Comes From Members of the Club Board.

At the regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Commercial club last evening, in addition to the transaction of the usual routine business, several matters of importance were discussed. Arrangements were made to carry forward the campaign in the Grande Ronde river irrigation project vigorously, with a view of closing it up at the earliest possible moment. It is just a question of seeing the interested farmers, and giving them an opportunity of putting in their land. During the last week several who were too impatient to wait to be interviewed by a committee, came in voluntarily and subscribed their land.

Among other things, the directors decided to publish a statement of what had been done up to this time in the matter of publicity, and of what it planned for the future. For various unavoidable reasons it was slower in getting things started than was anticipated. There was an immense amount of preliminary work to do before things were gotten fairly in motion. Decisions as to the style of literature to be gotten out; the best and cheapest place to have the same published; the collecting and arranging of data and illustrations for the same; decisions as to the best and cheapest mediums through which to advertise our resources and advantages to the homeseeker, and many other things which seem small, but all of which took time. These preliminaries have all been attended to, and our booklets and folders are now in the press, and are promised to us by the 15th of this month. Had it not been for unexpected delays with the printer, we would have had them before this time. Advertisements are now carried in 19 weekly and semi-weekly papers and periodicals covering 10 states of the east and middle west, from which we are now getting many inquiries, which are being taken care of to the best advantage.

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EXTRA Boys 75c School Pants SPECIAL 48c And Up

A WEEK OF BARGAINS For The School Children

Notice To The Economical Mother

EXTRA 18c Heavy Ribbed Hose SPECIAL 11c

For the coming week we will reduce all children's wear from 25 per cent to 50 per cent. A few of the many bargains of the children's school supplies.

REMEMBER YOU CAN DO BETTER AT THE FAIR

Remember These Prices This Week Only

12½c to 15c Ribbons; this week only, the yard 8 1-3c
Boys' $1.50 Sweaters; this week only, each 98c
35c Children's Golf Gloves; this week only, the pair 19c
$4.00 Boys' school Suits; this week only, the suit $2.29
12½c Percales, this week only, the yard 9c
25c Taffeta Hair Ribbons; this week only, the yard 17½c

Girls' 12½c Handkerchiefs; this week only, each 6¼c
Boys' 50c fleeced Underwear; this week only, the garment .. 39c
Girls' $1.25 and $1.35 school Shoes; this week only, the pair 98c
Boys' $2.50 to $2.75 school Shoes; this week only, the pair $1.98
85c boys' stiff colored Shirts; this week only, each 25c
75c boys' and girls' Hats; this week only, each 59c

Special Bargains in all Children's Wear Sections

Boys' and girls' Nazareth Waists, this week only, each 19c
$5.00 boys' Knee Pants, this week only, the suit $2.98

The Fair Department Store

Take a Little Soda

For Your Stomach's Sake

This Advice Certainly Holds Good with Everyone This Sort of Weather

Soda served at our fountain is more than a tasty thirst-quenching beverage. It is tonic and refreshing and every glass a strengthener for the stomach.

Our Soda is absolutely pure, strengthening, reviving, refreshing and healthful. It "lands direct" on the "dry" spot and quenches thirst as nothing else will, because we serve it at just the right temperature.

HILL'S DRUG STORE

LA GRANDE, OREGON